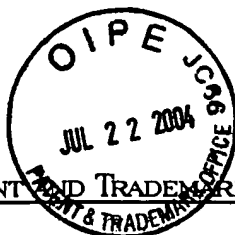




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| First Named Inventor | Klaus-Sweerich Schröder |
| Art Unit             |                         |
| Examiner Name        |                         |
| Attorney Docket No.  | SSM-525US               |

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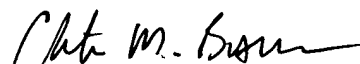
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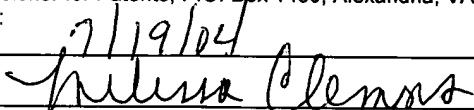
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